

State of New Hampshire
Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

In the Matter of
Pia P. Walsh, RCP
No: 744
(Adjudicatory Proceedings)

Docket #: 07-01

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On September 13, 2007, the Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board (the "Board") held a hearing to determine whether Ms. Pia P. Walsh, RCP ("Ms. Walsh" or the "Respondent") had complied with a prior settlement agreement.

Procedural History

On December 14, 2006, the Board approved a *Settlement Agreement* with the Respondent. The *Settlement Agreement* provides, in pertinent part:

Paragraph 7B(1) states: "Respondent shall obtain a summary of her treatment and care from her treating psychiatrist at the Windham Center, Dr. Ray Abney."

Paragraph 7C requires continuing treatment and quarterly reports to the Board documenting compliance and progress in treatment.

Paragraph 7D requires the Respondent to be under the care of a psychiatrist who must provide quarterly reports to the Board documenting compliance and progress in treatment.

See 12/14/06 *Settlement Agreement*. The Board later received information questioning the Respondent's compliance with the above sections of the settlement agreement that set reporting requirements to the Board. Accordingly, the Board issued an *Order for Hearing to Show Cause Regarding Compliance with the Settlement Agreement* on August 14, 2007. As state above, the Board held a hearing on September 13, 2007.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND RULINGS OF LAW

Based on testimony heard at the hearing, the Board voted and rules as follows:

1. For each of these issues, the information required has not been filed with the Board in a timely fashion, or with sufficient information to allow the Board to see compliance and progress in treatment.
2. The Board orders that the Respondent shall provide a summary of the previous quarterly reports, covering the period from January 1, 2007 to September 30, 2007 as well as the quarterly reports that were due by September 30, 2007.
3. One report shall be a summary of care provided by the social worker. This report shall outline Respondent's progress and compliance of all recommendations made by the social worker.
4. One report shall be a summary of care provides by the psychiatric ARNP, co-signed by the consulting psychiatrist. This report shall outline the Respondent's progress and compliance of all recommendations made by the psychiatric ARNP.
5. One report shall be provided by the supervising licensed Respiratory Care Practitioner (the RCP) at each and any of the Respondent's place/s of employment. This report shall outline the Respondent's attendance at work and compliance with all recommendations made by the supervising RCP.
6. The Board shall receive all of the above summaries and reports no later than thirty (30) days from the date this order is signed
7. The Board has also extended the supervised practice period by twenty-four (24) months. Accordingly, the Respondent is responsible for making sure that such future reports be sent to the Board on a quarterly basis, as required by the *Settlement Agreement* of December 14, 2006.
8. Failure to comply with this order will result in suspension of the Respondent's license to practice.

9. All other terms of the Settlement Agreement of December, 2006 shall remain in effect

This order shall take effect as an Order of the Board on the date it is signed by an authorized representative of the Board.

For the Board/*

This proceeding is hereby terminated in accordance with the binding terms and conditions set forth above.

Date: 10/16/07

Tina M. Kelley
(Signature)

Tina M. Kelley
Authorized Representative of
The Respiratory Care Practitioners
Governing Board

*/Jeffery T. Reisert, DO, Board Member, recused